



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 7**

11201 Renner Boulevard
Lenexa, Kansas 66219

2013

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Jessica Merrigan, Esq.
Lathrop & Gage, LLP
2345 Grand Boulevard, Suite 2200
Kansas City, Missouri 64108-2618

Dear Ms. Merrigan:

In accordance with the Administrative Order on Consent (Docket No. VII 94-F-0025) between the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Laidlaw Waste Systems, Inc., et al., this billing represents costs paid by the EPA for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013. The EPA hereby requests payment in the amount of \$44,468.48.

Payments to EPA shall be made payable to the order of the Hazardous Substance Response Fund, and shall be forwarded to:

US Environmental Protection Agency
Superfund Payments
Cincinnati Finance Center
P.O. Box 979076
St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

Please annotate the check with the site name Westlake Landfill, site number 0714, OU-02 and the bill number 2771426T0005. A copy of the check and your transmittal letter should be sent to:

Dan Gravatt
Remedial Project Manager
Superfund Division
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
11201 Renner Blvd.
Lenexa, Kansas 66219



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Interest shall begin to accrue sixty (60) days from receipt of this letter at the current rate of 0.81 percent per annum for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. Interest will be compounded annually. On October 1 of each subsequent fiscal year, any unpaid balance will begin accruing interest at the new rate to be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury. Payments shall apply first to any interest due and the remaining amount shall apply to the principal.

EPA strives to make administrative changes to the Superfund program to make cleanup faster, fairer and more efficient. Under the Superfund Administrative Reform on improving the management of the Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) oversight while ensuring protective cleanups and to send oversight bills to PRPs in a timely manner. We believe that maintaining an open dialogue with PRPs about oversight expectations and PRP performance can improve the efficiency of response actions and minimize the cost of oversight. To that end, we would like to offer to discuss with you our plans for oversight for ongoing and upcoming work at the Westlake Landfill OU-02 site and to provide you with the opportunity to suggest ways to effectively streamline the work and its oversight. Please contact Dan Gravatt at (913) 551-7324 or gravatt.dan@epa.gov within the next two weeks if you are interested in having a conversation or meeting with us on these issues.

Please be advised that not all costs incurred by the Government during the billing period stated above have been paid/ posted. Therefore, any costs which have not been posted will be included in the future billings. Interest will not accrue on these amounts until sixty (60) days after they are billed.

If you have any questions you may contact Dan Gravatt at the information provided above or Steven Bourn at (913) 551-7405 or bourn.steven@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Steven Bourn
Accountant

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